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HOPEFUL VIEW OF BUSINESS.

There is nothing in the business outlook to warrant any uneasiness is the statement of Henry Clews, and in part he bases his opinion on the sound financial condition of the West. He says:

"There has unquestionably been a lessened consumption of many articles of food and other necessities, as well as luxuries. Retailers are in consequence buying in small quantities, and the reaction thus started is passing on to the jobber, the wholesaler and the producer. In consequence we are witnessing declining prices in nearly all of the commodity markets; a natural, wholesome and highly desirable reaction from the prohibitive level to which values had frequently risen.

"Some further hesitation in financial affairs has been caused by developments in the political situation. Much significance is very properly attached to recent elections in New York State and Massachusetts. They have made two things very plain: First, that the tariff must be again revised, and this time downwards, also that the people are weary of political corruption and are selecting a higher type of men as their representatives, to the utter discomfiture of those who have profited through bossism and corruption. Rightly viewed such readjustments in business and politics are healthful symptoms. They mean that both business and politics will be on a sounder and more hopeful basis as soon as this corrective process becomes more complete. Temporarily there may be more or less uncertainty and hesitancy; but this should gradually disappear, and later on trade should resume normal activity, especially when it is found that prices have touched bed-rock.

"There is really nothing in the business situation to warrant any uneasiness. In the West conditions are generally sound and hopeful. While there have been some excesses in land speculation, the latter are not in any sense of an alarming nature. Much of the advance in land has been based upon increased earning power, and as long as this is preserved there is no danger of any serious collapse. Western bankers are fully alive to existing difficulties, and are pursuing a much more conservative course. It must also be recognized that the West is much stronger financially than at any previous time in its history, and will be able to carry its own enterprises with relatively less assistance from the East than in previous instances where aid was necessary. The West is a wonderful producing section, and views the outlook from that standpoint.

"In March 53 railroads reported gross earnings of \$65,000,000, an increase of \$8,800,000, or nearly 16 per cent more than a year ago. For the first three months of the current year fifty-three railroads reported earnings of \$179,000,000, an increase of \$24,000,000, or over 15 per cent. Such a heavy percentage of gain as the latter has not been seen since the year 1900, which was one of unusual prosperity for the railroads. These returns chiefly include roads serving the agricultural districts, and do not cover the Eastern trunk lines, such as Pennsylvania and New York Central, which are also known to be making very handsome gains in revenue. It is worthy of note that the Southern roads have made large gains, notwithstanding the light cotton crop, and that the Western roads did well in spite of a light grain movement. The railroad situation would be eminently satisfactory were it not for the increased expenses forced upon the roads by the demands of labor, and high prices for materials. Labor, however, is getting a big share of prosperity, and it is but reasonable to expect that stockholders, too should come in for better results, if present conditions are maintained. Much will depend upon the crops. If these prove good, the year will be a satisfactory one for the railroads.

"Taking all facts into consideration there is no reason for other than hopeful views regarding the business situation."

FREMONT'S TRIP 67 YEARS AGO.

Did you read Fremont's story of his explorations in this valley, as given in the Standard yesterday? It is a most interesting narrative of the first voyage by a white man on the great salt sea, and, furthermore, it is a story of pioneer experience which fascinates.

Fremont and his party obtained their first view of the lake from the top of Little Mountain, directly west of Ogden and from near that point they started in their frail boat to the nearest island. Even in those days there were storms on the lake and Fremont was thankful when he had safely escaped the white caps, but he could have had no thought that similar storms in the years to come were to strike against a railroad embankment and offer equal concernment to the men responsible for its protection.

On September 8 and 9, 1843, Fremont was boating on the lake. Would it not be well to have some observance of that notable event on September 8 and 9 of this year—67 years after the great explorer had enjoyed an experience so novel and impressive.

Fremont notes that he lost the brass cover of the object end of his spy glass and he opines that at some future date it would furnish matter of speculation to some traveler. He places his camp on the island, where the brass piece was lost, at latitude 41 degrees, 10 minutes, 42 seconds, and longitude 112 degrees, 21 minutes, 5 seconds from Greenwich. A surveyor should be able to locate the spot and some effort should be made to recover the priceless souvenir of Fremont's experience.

The account of the finding of the larvae of worms in large quantities is a reminder to those familiar with the lake, that at times the "wrigglers" on the surface of the salt water—the only life in the saline solution—are washed ashore in countless millions and it might have been that in those early days the Indians ate the worms.

The recital of these early experiences has caused many a pioneer of Ogden to grow reminiscent. The worms reminded one of the days of grasshoppers. In 1874 the grasshoppers came in clouds so thick as to darken the noonday sun and, alighting in the lake, millions were drowned and later washed ashore, where they decayed and filled the air for miles around with an unbearable stench.

"That was the last great invasion by grasshoppers," said a pioneer in a talk with a Standard representative.

Asked to account for the disappearance of the grasshopper

plague, he said the grasshoppers are still here, perhaps in greatly reduced numbers, but the fact that they have a larger area of cultivated land to feed over, in part explains why they do not form in swarms and devour isolated green spots. In the earlier days a farm was but an oasis in a desert and the grasshoppers and locusts, after devastating a green strip, moved on to the next grassy spot in an irresistible cloud.

This pioneer said he had seen the hoppers light on an oat field of 40 acres at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 5 o'clock leave the field an area of dust. The grasshoppers not only ate the grain and the stalks, but devoured the wood fibre of butter firkins and other articles of wood and left whole settlements stripped of their crops of every kind.

These recollections are reminders that we of today have but a faint conception of the struggles of the pioneers and the adversity against which they struggled.

Why not commemorate that heroic period by having a Fremont day in Ogden this year, if not in September, then sometime this summer—say an excursion over the cut-off to Promontory Point, in full view of the historic points of Fremont's rich experience?

JUST FOR FUN

Never Known to Tell.

Hogan (with paper)—Glory be! Here's a scientific fellow who says he vance ate the flesh of a mammoth that was frozen 250,000 years ago! Hogan—Faith, he's a fibber, thin! Hogan—How kin ye prove it? Hogan—Sure, how could we find out from the cold storage company that date they received that animal?—Topeka Capital.

Murdered for a Pail of Milk.

Slegfried was turning over the pages of his new reader. The picture of a cow greatly excited him. "Teacher, teacher," he called. "I voice seen a cow!" "Did you? Where?" "In the street. A man had her and he was going to kill her off her milk."—Everybody's Magazine.

Safe.

Parke—Come on, old man, I am going on a week's pleasure excursion. Don't care what I do. Lane—But aren't you afraid that your wife will get after you? "She can't. The servants have all left, and there is no one in the house to button her up."—Life.

Why It Shrieked.

"Did you hear the shriek that engine gave as it flew by?" asked the first man, as they approached a railroad crossing. "Yes. What caused it?" rejoined his companion. "I presume the engineer had it by the throttle."—Smart Set.

Evidence of Selfishness.

"What a beautiful lawn, Mr. Bliggins has!" "Yes," replied the neighbor. "But he isn't entitled to much credit. He keeps mowing it merely for the fun of waking the neighbors early in the morning."—Washington Star.

Bachelors Take Warning.

Hobbs—Allentists say that single men are much more liable to insanity than married. Dobbs—Sure they are! Single men are always in danger of going crazy over some woman.—Boston Transcript.

The Proof.

"Why do you consider your painting 'The Bee Hive,' the most true-to-life drawing you ever made?" "Because the man who paid me \$25 for it said he got stung."—Judge.

The Best of Nothing.

Clerk—I have a beautiful new edition of Mendelssohn's Song Without Words," for \$2. Mrs. Newrich—Indeed. How much is it with the words.—Life.

Ours, Too, Confound It!

Benzon—This anti-trust movement is spreading rapidly everywhere. De Broke—Yes; my tailor has caught the fever now.—Boston Transcript.

SPORTS

FIRST CLINCH TO DECIDE FIGHT

(By Ed. W. Smith.)

Chicago, April 25.—The first clinch that Jack Johnson and Jim Jeffries have is likely to settle the big battle.

This is the opinion of both Joe Choynski and Tommy Ryan, veterans of the game and the master minds who are apt to be in the opposite corners of the ring as advisers and handlers on the afternoon of July 4.

Choynski left the city Saturday night for San Francisco to join the Jeffries training camp. He dropped into The Chicago American office in the afternoon to say good-bye and here met Tommy Ryan, veteran mid-dleweight, who is generally spoken of

DIABETES

From late figures the hope of recovery under the new emollient treatment seems to be about as follows:

In people of sixty and over results are quite uniform, probably nine-tenths recovering. While at fifty and over a large majority of all cases yield to the treatment, below fifty and approaching forty the disease gets more stubborn, and between thirty and forty the percentage is not high—probably not much over half yielding.

Under thirty the percentage is less and in children recoveries have been very few and most of those were obtained with the aid of skilled physicians forcing nutrition, with alkaline treatment to prevent formation of acetones.

The new emollient treatment is known as Fulton's Diabetic Compound. It can be had in Ogden at Wm. Driver & Son Drug Co.

We desire every patient to write us who is not getting the usual improvement by the third week. Always state age. Literature mailed free. Jno. J. Fulton Co., 645 Battery St., San Francisco, Cal. We invite correspondence with physicians who have obstinate cases.

as one of Jack Johnson's probable advisers.

Naturally the chat turned to the big battle and after a lot of good-natured chaffing on both sides the serious question was asked of Ryan:

"What do you think of it?" "Fighters Can Tell Early."

"The first clinch will settle it," was the instant reply. "Let me tell you just what will happen," the veteran continued. "There'll be a felt or two and they will drop into a clinch. Before they are pulled apart one of them will know that he is the weaker man. That will practically settle the fight right there."

"It is quite apt to," was Choynski's response to that bit of reasoning. "And after that it is apt to resolve itself into a question of gameness, and gameness alone."

"It is true that the average fighter of brains can tell almost instantly when he takes hold of an opponent whether he can beat him or not. There is that mental telepathy, or whatever one might call it, that instantly flashes a signal to a man's brain. That signal either is 'I'm up against it this time' or 'I can whip this fellow,' and as far as any experience goes it comes out right in about nineteen cases out of twenty."

May Go Great Way.

"That clinch is likely to prove the fateful moment in this great battle. Understand, the fight is apt to go a great way beyond the first clinch and doubtless will. But after that clinch one man will be talking along an almost hopeless loser in his own mind, although he may outwardly appear unconcerned and be fighting at a fast clip."

"The other man will be the winner in his own mind, satisfied that he is much the stronger and in better shape, sailing along as easily as if nothing could stop him."

Other points were brought up between these great veteran fighters and handlers, but none of them seemed to be as vital as that first clinch that they talked so much about.

Choynski talked entertainingly about his experience with the big fellow and did not seem a bit worried to think that he would be thrown directly into the company of his old arch enemy, Jim Corbett, in the Jeffries camp.

Not the Best of Friends.

"Corbett treated me so shabbily when I was a boy that I could never forgive him," Joe told his friends. "But I am not foolish enough to worry about it now. I am as well off in most ways as Corbett and have become a philosopher to the extent of refusing to worry about the past. If Jim wants to be friendly, all right."

"Of this you may be sure. If I am to be the cause of any friction in the training camp my hat will come off and I will bid everybody a pleasant afternoon. They will not see me again. Life's too short, you know."

"I know section sufficiently to keep well and enough of the law to keep out of its clutches, but one thing I do claim to know better than any man living. That is the fighting business. If they want me to impart my knowledge to Jeff as occasion may require, well and good. If not, it's all the same. I'll be there to do my very best for the big fellow."

"One thing I am sure of. I have discovered the secret of Jeff's crabbedness and if they will let me alone I will get him out of that streak inside of 48 hours and that, too, without using a drop of medicine."

"Just watch me," and the veteran waved a hearty farewell.

SLIGHT DAMAGE TO FRUIT CROP

Utah's fruit crop has been damaged only slightly, according to John Derig and C. A. Hickel, Utah representatives of the Pioneer Fruit Co. of California, who have completed a trip through the Utah fruit belt from Cache county to Springville.

Mr. Hickel reported that they found conditions satisfactory as a whole, and previous reports of damage have been greatly exaggerated. In some spots, he says, the orchards have been hard hit, but this condition is by no means general, and wherever smudging was intelligently applied the damage has been only nominal. Brigham City and Cache county suffered almost no damage whatever, while only a few late peaches were damaged at Willard.

At Pleasant View a few orchards suffered heavily, and around Ogden the damage was also slight. Peaches and apples were hurt at Riverton, and at Roy some of the orchards suffered, although others will have a full crop. Clearfield suffered more than any other district on the trip of more than 100 miles, but Davis county generally suffered from the frost. East Mill Creek will probably produce a full crop of peaches and cherries, and apples suffered little.

Conditions at Provo bench were such as would indicate a full crop, as the damage was nominal where smudging was employed, and in some of the peach orchards the trees will have to be thinned out to insure a good quality of peaches. At Springville there were streaks where great damage had been done but some of the orchards will yield full crops.

The horticulturists said most of the damage had been to orchards less than six years old.

GIRL ENJOYS RIVALRY OF HER LOVERS

Butler, Pa., April 25.—"I will wed the better man," says Anetto Mariano,



Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators

Every housekeeper who takes pride in her ability to manage her affairs economically and in keeping down expenses should be interested in seeing the finest refrigerator made.

We carry a full line of the Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators. Have just received a car-load and they are ready for your inspection, and the balance of this week we will make special prices.

They are acknowledged to be the most perfectly constructed, sanitary and ice-saving refrigerators ever put on the market. Saves fully one-third on your ice bill and lasts a lifetime. Ordinary refrigerators only last about five years. Made of solid oak, quarter sawed panels and ordinary porcelain linings, constructed throughout in the strongest and most substantial manner. Come in and let us show you their many valuable features.

Our No. 398 Refrigerator—Special Price.....\$ 9.00

Our No. 8100 Refrigerator, white enameled, Special Price.....\$15.00

Our No. 300 Refrigerator, porcelain lined, Special Price.....\$22.50

NEVER BEFORE HAS THERE BEEN A PORCELAIN LINED REFRIGERATOR OFFERED AT SUCH A LOW PRICE.

EASY TERMS

Ogden Furniture & Carpet Company

WATER FOR THE BIG CANAL

Early next Friday morning water will be turned into the Davis & Weber Counties canal, but Engineer Bostaph says it will not reach all the farms in large enough quantities to be of much service for irrigation purposes before Sunday or Monday. There has been no water in the canal since last fall and the bottom of the big ditch is so porous, and thoroughly dried, that much water will be taken up on its way to the fields.

Mr. Bostaph states that there are about 300 feet of concrete to be placed in the canal, at points where large leaks have been discovered, otherwise the water could be turned into the canal today. The worst places along the canal have been cemented during the winter.

This is one of the largest canals in the country, and when it is laid with cement, from one end to the other, which is going to be done as rapidly as possible, it will be among the best of canals. Where it is concreted the floor is 22 feet, 2 inches wide, 6 feet deep, and has a capacity of 750-second feet of water.

The work of concreting the canal will be resumed as soon as the crops of the season are matured, which will be in the early part of September.

BURIAL OF FORMER RESIDENT OF OGDEN

H. E. Poole, his brother, C. W. Poole, his sister, Mary Richardson, and her husband, after visiting with old time friends and relatives in the city a few days will return to their homes at Menan, Idaho.

They came to Ogden about two weeks ago on a sad mission, and during their sojourn here laid to final rest Mr. Poole's wife, the burial occurring Sunday at the Ogden city cemetery. Mrs. Poole was brought to Ogden for medical attention, and a week ago last Saturday it was found that a surgical operation was necessary. It seems that the shock was too great for her frail body and death came to her relief last Thursday, five days after the operation.

The Poolees were former residents of Ogden, the parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poole, having been among the early settlers of this section. The younger Poolees moved to Menan thirty-one years ago and became the pioneers in farming in the upper valleys of the Snake river. They are well known here. Mrs. Poole, deceased, was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Raymond of Plain City.

MAN WITH UTAH RECORD CAPTURED

For Third Time, Charles Phelps, Bad Gun Man, Faces Prison Life.

Prison life for the third time, stares Charles Phelps, a man with an evil record, in the face.

Advices from Boise, Idaho, Monday night, carried the information, that Phelps, who has served two terms in state prison for murder, has been captured at Hood River, Oregon, and Sheriff Wwyer of Twin Falls county, Idaho, is expected at Boise today to procure extradition papers for his return to Idaho to answer to a charge of assault with intent to murder, committed on John May, 32 years old, in a card game in the Pastime poolroom at Buhl, Idaho, March 20, this year.

One of Phelps' prison sentences for murder was served in the Idaho state pen and the other in the Utah state prison. For the shooting of Heber West through the heart at Pocatello,

about twenty years ago, Phelps, then United States deputy marshal, known as a dangerous gun man, was sentenced to six years in prison, but served only four before he was pardoned.

Phelps in the course of time went to Salt Lake City and, with Jesse McMillan, poisoned John Tgan by placing morphine in Egan's glass of beer in the old Senate saloon, then dragged Egan's body into an alley and robbed him, leaving him there to die. McMillan got twenty years in the state prison here, and Phelps was given life, but McMillan was pardoned some time ago, as he was dying of consumption, while Phelps got a pardon about a year ago, although Alice West, the widow of Phelps' victim in Idaho, and Earl Ripley, a member of the Salt Lake detective department, who in the interim had met, wooed and won Mrs. West, with District Judge Morrell, bitterly fought clemency for Phelps.

Phelps' assault on May at Buhl is said to have been without provocation, and so incensed the citizens of Buhl that the authorities feared Phelps might be lynched if caught there. Without warning, it is said, Phelps plunged a knife through May's left lung, and after May fell to the floor repeatedly stabbed him. In the ensuing confusion Phelps escaped.

WOMEN WANT MORE MONEY.

Summit, N. J., April 26.—Another notch was recorded in the cost of living here today when the women who go out to work by the day announced that in the future they will not work for less than \$1.75 a day, whereas the old rate was \$1.50. The cost of living, while being affected by the increase, is itself the cause of it, say the women.

GIRL DESPONDENT ENDS HER LIFE AT HOME.

Andover, Mass., April 26.—Miss Ada Brooks, 19 years old, of the freshman class of Vassar college, committed suicide at her home here late last night by taking poison. She had come home on sick leave and despondency, due to her illness, is believed to have caused the deed.

On Louis XII coats one sees three pocket flaps, one above the other.

BOXING NEW OGDEN THEATRE THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 28

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CHAMPION OF COLORADO AND WYOMING

VERSUS

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CHAMPION OF UTAH AND IDAHO.

Six Round Preliminary

CHIC FARLEY Versus YOUNG LAWRENCE

OGDEN.

(Colored) SALT LAKE.

Four Round Preliminary

KID DAVIS Versus TOMMY FITZGERALD

SALT LAKE.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Preliminaries start at 8:30 sharp. Gallery \$1.00. General admission \$2.00. Reserved seats, \$1.00 extra. Ringside, \$2.00 extra. Tickets on sale at Harrop & Goddard's Cigar Stand and Log Cabin, Salt Lake. ROY SHUMWAY, of Ogden, Manager. Schuler Special leaves Rio Grande Depot at 7:00 o'clock. Returning in time to catch 12:30 cars in Salt Lake.